in jute packaging material manufactured in India from raw jute, produced in India. Hence the question of increase in import of jute bags due to 100% compulsory packaging does not arise.

Textile material for BPL persons

2408. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a scheme to provide textile material for daily use to the persons below poverty line;

(b) if so, essential features of the scheme; and

(c) if not, whether Government propose to consider such a scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) No such proposal is being considered by the Government.

Import/export of silk

2409. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of silk exported/imported from/in the country during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the names of the countries from where imported and the countries where exported; and

(c) the foreign exchange amount earned/spent, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) Year-wise export and import of raw silk during the last three years is as follows:

Sl. No.	Particulars	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
1.	Value of Export Earnings (Various Silk Goods)	Rs. 2779.19 crore	Rs. 2879.56 crore	Rs. 3194.30 crore
2.	Import of Raw Silk	Qnty: 9258 MTs Rs. 628.41 crore	Qnty: 7948 MTs Rs. 607.21 crore.	Qnty: 8883 MTs Rs. 779.71 crore

(b) *Imported from:* China People's Republic, Taipei (Taiwan), Brazil, Korea Republic, Hong Kong, Switzerland, Japan, Uzbekistan and the USA.

Exported to: USA, UK, Itlay, Germany, UAE, Spain, Hong Kong, France, Saudi Arabia, Singapore and to some other minor consumers.

(c) (i) Year-wise export earnings during the last three years is as follows:

Sl. No.	Items of Silk Goods exported	Year 2003-04		Year 2004-05		Year 2005-06	
		crore Rs	Mn. US$	crore Rs.	Mn. US$	crore Rs.	Mn. US$
1.	Natural Silk Yarn, Fabrics & Made-ups	1954.11	425.18	2008.33	446.99	2228.88	503.47
2	Readymade Garments	699.52	152.20	746.29	166.10	842.06	190.21
3	Silk Carpets	120.22	26.16	123.65	27.52	103.36	23.35
4	Silk waste	5.34	1.16	1.29	0.29	19.90	4.50
	TOTAL	2779.19	604.70	2879.56	640.90	3194.20	721.53

(ii) year-wise expenditure on import of raw silk into the country is as follows:

Year	Quantity (MTs)	Value	
		crore Rs.	Min. US$
2003-04	9,258	628.41	136.73
2004-05	7,948	607.21	135.15
2005-06	8,383	779.71	176.12

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